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Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices „A“, „B“, and „C“ are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 27 July 1946.

Communicable Diseases:

During the week ended 27 July 1946 there was an outbreak of para-typhoid fever in Landkreis Wasserburg, Land Bavaria with 90 reported cases and one death. Also during the week there were 350 reported cases of food poisoning in Stadt and Landkreis Hanau. Greater Hesse due to bologna sausage infected with bacterium enteritis Gaertner. No extremely violent cases were reported and no deaths have occurred. Both gonorrhea and syphilis have increased slightly over the previous week for the Zone as a whole. The number of reported cases of malaria was the same for this week as for the previous week but with an increase of seven cases in Bavaria and a decrease of seven cases in the US Sector Berlin. The current week has shown a decreased incidence of scarlet fever, whooping cough, and poliomyelitis. Scarlet fever has declined in all three Laender, whooping cough decreased considerably in Bavaria but increased in Wuerttemberg-Baden. There were 7 reported cases of poliomyelitis this week as compared with 13 in the previous week.

Hospitalization:

Land Greater Hesse reports that the former plans for a VD hospital in Freidberg have been abandoned in favor of Bad Nauheim where 80 beds are to be made available in one institution and 50 more in another hospital. In Wuerttemberg-Baden the Kreisarzt of Kreis Crailsheim reports only 250 beds available for the estimated population of 60 000. Plans are underway to erect a wooden barracks-type hospital to accomodate 80 tuberculosis cases. Also in Schorndorf, near Stuttgart, in Wuerttemberg-Baden a factory has been located which is capable of manufacturing large quantities of hospital beds, bedside tables, and other hospital equipment but which has been closed down due to lack of raw materials. Plans are now underway to secure allocation of sufficient metal to permit manufacture of 2500 hospital beds and 2500 bedside tables. Similar plans are underway to provide materials for two other firms near Stuttgart in order that 2500 mattresses may also be produced.

Nursing Affairs:

In Bremen, four nursing schools have been inspected and effective October 1946 the courses of nurses training will be extended to three years.

Nutrition:

A recent survey of all hospitals, both general and specialized, in Land Wuerttemberg-Baden indicates a wide variation in the caloric intake of patients of all categories and in many cases the authorized ration is not being met. This situation is being corrected rapidly as the result of informing the Amtsaerzte of all Kreise of their responsibility for checking every hospital and reporting monthly on the daily caloric intake of all patient categories.

Sanitation:

The new water supply main from Landeswasserversorgung in Wuerttemberg to Ludwigsburg has been completed, tested, and placed in service, adding 2000 cubic meters of water per day to the city supply, thus alleviating the previous critical shortage. Land Bavaria reports 55 cities of 5000 population or greater with water shortage problems. However, there are no critical shortages at this time and repairs and expansions are being made as rapidly as limited supplies and equipment permit.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 27 July 1946

Regierungs- bezirk		Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: Cases d: Deaths																										
				Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Zone	£	16,201,284	c	—	—	—	—	—	617 18	152 —	701 129	145 15	741 3	9 4	7 —	2870 —	846 3	118 7	115 1	45 2	352 —	—	3	3033 —	—	2 1	34 —	26 —	189 —	
Mainfranken		935,625	c	—	—	—	—	—	44 —	3 —	41 3	8 —	16 —	—	—	35 —	11 —	6 3	3 —	6 —	—	—	—	105 —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken		2,166,033	c	—	—	—	—	—	74 2	18 —	48 11	5 —	53 —	—	1 —	398 —	123 2	28 —	—	4 —	—	—	—	538 —	—	—	4 —	—	14 —	
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz		1,866,526	c	—	—	—	—	—	59 1	10 —	49 10	9 —	72 —	—	—	241 —	75 —	30 2	2 —	1 —	—	—	—	621 —	—	1 —	4 —	—	14 —	
Schwaben		1,040,631	c	—	—	—	—	—	37 3	19 —	31 9	3 2	36 —	2 1	2 —	168 —	36 1	7 —	1 —	—	—	—	—	239 —	—	—	2 —	—	1 —	
Oberbayern		2,160,916	c	—	—	—	—	—	62 3	20 —	119 13	11 1	99 2	2 1	2 —	449 —	132 —	4 2	90 1	1 —	—	—	—	304 —	—	1 —	—	—	115 —	
Kassel		1,153,323	c	—	—	—	—	—	53 2	6 —	39 8	13 3	43 —	1 —	—	148 —	44 —	2 —	—	2 —	—	—	—	93 —	—	—	3 —	—	14 —	
Wiesbaden		1,461,997	c	—	—	—	—	—	48 1	9 —	87 10	14 2	44 —	3 —	—	469 —	160 —	4 —	5 —	1 —	350 —	—	—	—	25 —	—	2 —	—	1 —	
Hessen		1,178,132	c	—	—	—	—	—	44 1	12 —	57 9	12 —	115 —	—	—	197 —	40 —	4 —	7 —	1 —	—	—	3	226 —	—	—	—	25 —	22 —	
Baden		1,249,127	c	—	—	—	—	—	58 2	9 —	58 14	30 —	97 1	2 —	1 —	236 —	47 —	6 1	—	6 —	—	—	—	772 —	—	—	1 —	1 —	—	
Württemberg		2,044,156	c	—	—	—	—	—	86 1	19 —	53 16	9 4	166 —	—	—	275 —	73 —	18 4	4 —	3 —	—	—	—	110 —	—	—	1 —	—	8 —	
Bremen Port Command	£	478,106	c	—	—	—	—	—	27 1	4 —	14 6	7 3	—	—	—	153 —	59 —	—	3 —	3 —	—	—	—	221 —	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)		944,818	c	—	—	—	—	—	52 2	27 —	119 26	31 3	—	—	—	254 —	105 —	9 1	4 —	19 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	16 —	—	—	

+ No data submitted. £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 27 July 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: Cases d: Deaths																												
		Cases, Deaths		Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Bavaria	8,169,731	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	276 9	70	288 46	36	276 2	4	4	1291	377 3	75 5	95 1	13 1	—	—	—	1807	—	—	2	11	—	144
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	145 4	27	183 27	39 5	202	4	—	814	244	10	12	4	350	—	3	344	—	—	—	5	25	37
Württemberg Baden	3,293,283	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	144 3	28	111 30	39 4	263 1	2	1	3	511	120	24	4	9	2	—	—	882	—	—	2	1	8
Bremen Port Command	478,106	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	27 1	4 1	14 6	7 3	—	—	—	153	59	—	3	3	—	—	—	221	—	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	52 2	27	119 26	31 3	+	—	—	254	105	9	4	19	—	—	—	+	—	—	16	+	+	+

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APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 27 July 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever louse-borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total US Zone	£ 16,201,284	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.80	4.88	22.50	4.65	23.79	.29	.22	92.13	27.16	3.79	3.69	1.44	11.30	—	.10	97.36	—	.06	1.09	.83	6.07
Mainfranken	935,625	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.45	1.67	22.79	4.45	8.89	—	—	19.45	6.11	3.33	1.67	3.33	—	—	58.36	—	—	—	—	—	
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.77	4.32	11.52	1.20	12.72	—	.24	95.56	29.53	6.72	—	.96	—	—	129.17	—	—	.96	—	3.36	
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.44	2.79	13.65	2.51	20.06	—	—	67.14	20.89	8.36	.56	.28	—	—	173.01	—	.28	1.11	—	3.90	
Schwaben	1,040,631	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.49	9.49	15.49	1.50	17.99	1.00	1.	83.95	17.99	3.50	—	.50	—	—	119.43	—	—	1.00	—	.50	
Oberbayern	2,160,916	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.92	4.81	28.63	2.65	23.82	.48	.24	108.13	31.76	.96	21.65	.24	—	—	73.14	—	.24	.24	—	27.67	
Kassel	1,153,323	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.90	2.70	17.58	5.86	19.39	.45	—	66.73	19.84	.90	—	.90	—	—	41.93	—	—	1.35	—	6.31	
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.07	3.20	30.94	4.98	15.65	1.07	—	165.82	56.91	1.42	1.78	.35	174.49	—	—	8.89	—	.71	—	.35	
Hessen	1,178,132	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.42	5.30	25.16	5.30	50.76	—	—	86.95	17.66	1.76	3.09	.44	—	1.32	99.76	—	—	—	11.03	9.71	
Baden	1,249,127	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.14	3.75	24.14	12.49	40.38	.42	.42	98.25	19.57	2.50	—	2.50	—	—	371.38	—	—	.42	.42	—	
Württemberg	2,044,156	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.88	4.83	13.48	2.29	42.23	—	.51	69.96	18.57	4.58	1.02	.76	.51	—	—	27.98	—	.25	—	2.03	
Bremen Port Command	£ 478,106	—	—	—	—	—	—	29.36	4.35	15.23	7.61	—	—	—	166.40	64.17	—	3.26	3.26	—	—	240.36	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	—	—	28.62	14.86	65.50	17.06	+	—	—	139.80	57.79	4.95	2.20	10.45	—	—	—	+	—	—	8.81	+	

+ No data Submitted £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.
(Rates Expressed as per population 10,000 per Annum).

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